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SUBJECT: POLITICAL TENSIONS IN UAE, AMIR'S TALKS WITH SHAH

1. DURING A TETE A TETE LUNCH WITH ME JUNE 14 AMIR FILLED ME IN ON HIS STATE VISIT TO IRAN JUNE 10-13. (SEPTELS) I ASKED IF SUBJECT OF SQUABBLES WITHIN UAE HAD COME UP. AMIR SAID THEY DEFINITELY HAD. HE SAID SHAH WAS CONCERNED BUT ALSO VERY HESITANT TO TAKE A LEADING POSITION IN URGING CONCILIATION AND RESTRAINT FOR FEAR OF FANNING OLD FEARS IN GULF OF IRANIAN INTERVENTIONISM. SHAH SAID IRAN WOULD EXPRESS ITS VIEWS TO UAE LEADERS IN FRIENDLY MANNER BUT WOULD BE AS CAREFUL AS POSSIBLE NOT TO BE SEEN TO BE INTERVENING IN INTERNAL UAE AFFAIR.

2. AMIR SAID THAT LATER IN CONVERSATION SHAH RETURNED TO THE SUBJECT AND ASKED IF AMIR WOULD BE WILLING TO CONVEY TO UAE LEADERS SHAH'S CONCERN AND SHAH'S ASSURANCE THAT HIS INTEREST WAS THAT OF A FRIEND WHO WISHED UAE EVERY  
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SUCCESS AND ONE WHO HAD NO INTENTION OF FISHING IN TROUBLED WATERS. AMIR AGREED. AMIR SAID HE WOULD SEND HIS BROTHER, THE PRIME MINISTER, ON THIS MISSION. (BAHRAINI MEDIA JUNE 15 REPORTED THAT PRIME MINISTER WILL MAKE OFFICIAL VISIT TO UAE BEGINNING JUNE 17).

3. DURING THIS CONVERSATION I SHARED WITH AMIR OUR

POSITION ON UAE PROBLEMS (STATE 141246) AND FACT THAT  
WE WERE CONSULTING AS WELL WITH SAUDIS AND IRANIANS AND  
ASKING THEM TO USE THEIR GOOD OFFICES TO URGE UAE LEADERS  
TO RESOLVE LOCAL DIFFERENCES IN INTEREST OF THE CONTINUING  
DEVELOPMENT OF THE FEDERATION.  
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